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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This paper is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action mailed on March 7, 2006, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire June 7, 2006. A Petition for Extension of Time (for a one month extension) is submitted herewith, extending the response time to July 7, 2006. In light of the Amendments and/or Remarks herein, further examination is requested.

Any fees required by this paper are being provided as directed in an electronic submission of this paper or in a transmittal letter accompanying this paper. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in fees required by this paper and any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or 1.17 which may be required during the pendency of this application, and to similarly credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 50-0631.